

EVENTS OF INTEREST
IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

WOMAN AND THE HOME

DOMESTIC HELPS AND
AIDS TO HOUSEWIVES

The young lady across the way says the cost of everything seems to be going up and she overheard her father say that he used to buy municipal bonds on a 3.85 basis and now gets them on a 3.90 one.

THE NEW YEAR

The first of January was first observed as New Year's Day during the reign of Numa Pompilius, which terminated in 672 B. C. The Roman calendar attributed to him decreed that the year should commence with January. Numa, having added two months to the ten into which the year was formerly divided, calling the first Januarius in honor of Janus, the deity supposed to preside over doors. In the ancient Jewish, Egyptian and Greek calendars there was, of course, no January, and the Roman calendar effected no general change. The 25th of March was long observed in Christian countries as New Year's Day, but it was gradually superseded in popular regard by the first of January. It was not until 1752, however, that January 1st became the first day of the legal year. In Scotland the change was made much earlier, in 1600, and it was effected in France in 1564; in Holland, Protestant Germany and Russia in 1700, and in Sweden in 1733. Among the Saxons January was called Wolf-monat, because there was more danger of being devoured by wolves than in any other month.

Many people have a bonfire of the packages and wrapping paper in which their Christmas gifts are done up, and probably some of the gifts are surreptitiously slipped into the blaze.

Easy & Practical
Home Dress Making
Lessons

Prepared Especially For This Newspaper
by Pictorial Review

Collars to Wear With the Season's Frocks.



An attractive set of collars for wear with separate waists of one-piece frocks. They are made of organdy, trimmed with hand embroidery.

The controversy between the sponsors of the high collar and low collars in merry indecision, while admirers of both effects welcome the services as they come and make their selection as the fancy dictates. In the designs shown here there is a wide choice, though simplicity is the keynote of the collars both as regard the construction and effect.

With the exception of No. 1, which requires 1 yard of 27 inch material, there is not a model in the group which requires more than 1/2 yard of organdy, batiste or lawn. Embroidery is the trimming used in every instance, though in the case of No. 3, a jabot of lace may be added if desired.

These Home Dressmaking articles are prepared especially for this newspaper from the very latest styles by The Pictorial Review.

A MODISH VERSION
OF THREE IN ONE

Here we have a stylish sailor band with beaver to match the fur on collar and cuffs. The pitch of the illustration, however, is the washable capekin gloves with combination stitching. Capekins are not in vogue as doeskins may be. They are best cleaned on the hand with a soft cloth and pure soap, by gentle rubbing one way.

LITTLE BENNY'S
NOTEBOOK

By Leo Page

Mr. Lewis was with pop when he came home yesterday, and they came up in the setting room where me and ma was and wat did pop have on but a noo ovircote being a brown one all full of stripes pop saying, Well, mothr, wats your reel honest to goodness opinion of my noo ovircote.

Willum, do you mean to say you axually intend wearing that thing, sed ma.

Sertany, wats rong with it, sed pop. Yes, Mrs. Potts, I must say that I fail to detect anything wrong with it, sed Mr. Lewis.

Well, if you dont object to going around looking like a professional gambler, then shares nothing rong with it, I suppose, sed ma.

A professional gambler, wy, thats reedickilis, sed pop. And so is that ovircote, sed ma. Wich it was, pritty reedickilis, and Mr. Lewis sed, But Mrs. Potts, brown stripes are all the stile this season.

Amung bergiers and gambelers maybe, sed ma. Bergiers and gambelers, ha ha, sed pop.

I cant see anything funny about it watever, sed ma, I must say that I fail to detect anything wrong with it, sed Mr. Lewis.

Effect him, ha ha, wy, its his ovircote, he wanted a womans candied opinion of it and he noo he woodent get it if you noo it was his ovircote, so he got me to ware it and let on it was my own, ha ha, Lewis, I ges that aint a hot wun, ha ha, sed pop.

Willum Potts, you shall heer from me about this later, sed ma, and as for the ovircote, I think its perfectly all rite, Mr. Lewis, its much more tastell than anything Willum wood of chosen, Im sure. And she went out of the room mad looking as anything, and Mr. Lewis sed, O well, Pottis, I ges the joak aint all on me, would be heering about this all the rest of the nite.

Wich pop did.

BRIEF NEWS NOTES.

Pennsylvania crude oil advanced 10 cents a barrel to \$2.55. Other grades were marked up.

The Sayville, L. I., wireless station was put out of commission by the heavy Atlantic coast storm.

President Wilson is planning to extend his honeymoon at Hot Springs, Va., until next Wednesday.

Swiss hotel proprietors have arranged to receive a million invalid French and German soldiers.

The Lackawanna railroad will place orders for 12 locomotives, 10 Mikado and seven Pacific type.

LAURA JEAN LIBBY'S DAILY TALKS ON
HEART TOPICS

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WHAT SUM CAN A YOUNG
MARRIED COUPLE LIVE ON?

"Where we love is home:
Home that our feet may leave, but
not our hearts.
Tho' o'er us shines the jasper-lighted
dome,
The chain may lengthen, but it never
er parts."

"How small a sum man a young couple wed on?" is a query which is put to me in scores of letters every day. I hope the reply embodied in this article will solve the problem for all.

It is not a question of how much the husband is enabled to make, to support the home, but how prudent the wife is and how far she can make a dollar go. One couple live from hand to mouth on twenty-five a week, while another lives cooly on eighteen.

The couple that commence wedded life on a scale grander than they can afford soon find themselves at their wits' ends to scrape together one more dollar to pay the landlord, the butcher, the baker and candlestick maker.

Entertaining friends continuously costs money, is a useless extravagance, and has driven many a young husband to the wall loaded with debts.

It takes courage to wed on a husband's salary of eighteen per week. The dove-cote which houses them must be mid humble instead of fashionable surroundings, for rent is a very considerable item in the household expenses.

The contents of the tiny flat should be paid for ere the newly wedded couple step across their own threshold. The bride should be even at an early age—a good housekeeper, know the value of doing her own marketing; how to purchase and what to buy and above all, know the magic art of transforming the left overs of the table into tempting tid-bits to help out the following meal. It should go without saying that she must be her own maid of all work and her own seamstress as well.

It is said that "a little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men." Where so much skimping and saving has to be indulged in, a little attend a week may be advantageously spent for amusement which gives pleasure to both. For all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

No matter how small the amount of earnings, it should not be fully used up. A dollar now and then put by often proves a Godsend oftentimes in the future.

Where both work energetically together, and happiness crowns their efforts, it may be said that their married life has proved a success. The young bride who has been accustomed to the luxury of having her own spending money will have to watch herself and check her luxury of things which are not absolutely necessary to a far greater extent than the girl who has had to work for her living and who knows what it is to purchase little vanities at the cost of a meal and the repentance for her folly.

The husband can only make the money. The wife is the homemaker. Upon her shoulders and conscience rest the results. Love is the wonderful wand which will spur them on to their best endeavors.

The young couple who love each other can do better wedded than apart. Nothing is accomplished by waiting years to save. Dissatisfaction awaits upon such delay. The milk of human kindness dries out of their hearts. Love is so wrenched and twisted that it would not take much to break it. The small beginning should not be despised by the couple who love each other sufficient to wed.

MISS LIBBY'S REPLIES
TO YOUR LETTERS

Miss Libby's answers to your letters. Correct name and address must be given to insure attention. Initials printed. Write short letters on one side of paper only. Use ink. Personal letters cannot be answered. Address Miss Laura Jean Libby, No. 916 President Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

QUERY OF
ESCORTING A GIRL

Dear Miss Libby:—
I am your reader and ask your advice. When asking permission to escort a girl home from an evening party which are proper words to use? When departing should she thank you for escorting her? Or do you thank her for her company? If a girl refuses to attend church Sunday evening with a certain young man is it proper to ask why she refuses to go? I appreciate your reply.

B. E.
Simply ask if you may have the pleasure of seeing her home. Neither need thank the other for escorting. If well acquainted, you might venture to add, to your invitation to church, "If you have no previous escort engagement."

TO BE HER "SAME
OLD SWEETHEART"

Dear Miss Libby:—
I am a young man 18, considered nice looking by both sexes. Am in ch infatuated with a young lady of my acquaintance. In jealousy, I quarrelled with her account of a young man acquaintance. She became angry. After many frequent apologies, she won't speak to me. Now I am so

in love with her that I'd give this world to take back those words of mine. I'd be the "same old sweetheart," as the song goes. Tell, please, if I can only regain her friendship?

P. B. C. C.
Course of true love never runs smooth. Try patience and in near future patch up your little tilt. She has not forgotten you, and no doubt would gladly be friends again.

OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND.

Dear Miss Libby:—
I am a girl of 16, engaged to a nice young man of 22. In some respects he seems to love me. If I am out of sight, he goes with another girl. Tells he does not care for her; only likes me. He visits regularly. Few days past, he walked with a girl in my presence. Do you think he really cares for me?

B. M.
Out of sight some are easily forgotten. An engaged person has no right to go with another.

MAKING UP WITH HER.

Dear Miss Libby:—
I am a young man of 18 past, much devoted to a girl of 17. We quarreled Sunday evening. I danced three times with another girl with a cause. How am I to make up with her? Please advise.

F. H.
Have an understanding with her. If this tends to refrain from time from dancing as often with another.

DISREGARDING
PROPOSAL TO HER

Dear Miss Libby:—
I am past 17, had company of youth of 18. First I cared nothing for him; as we were schoolmates I paid no attention to his affections. I grew to care for him, as he said he did for me. He visited four times, lastly confessing his love for me. Asked me to wed him. Foolishly I did not make him anxious by considering, but consented. It was the last time I ever saw him. One week since his proposal I received his letter, saying: "Disregard what we spoke of Sunday." This hurt my feelings. If I ever meet him socially, as I expect to, am I to treat him as a discarded lover or a friend? Please advise.

E. B.
Be slightly pleasant, only nod, and pass on, as if formally introduced. Let him appeal to you, and try to win your love again. He doubtless was too young to know his own mind. You will find a better companion. All is well that ends well.

ONE OF THE SKATING
SETS THAT APPEAL TO
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

White angora, a tilted, close fitting cap with a wide luxuriant scarf, giving this modish result. The bun on the side of the cap is composed of seal with a center of coral beads.



GOING SKATING?

White angora, a tilted, close fitting cap with a wide luxuriant scarf, giving this modish result. The bun on the side of the cap is composed of seal with a center of coral beads.

AUTO TAXES INCREASE

Hartford, Jan. 1.—The automobile department of the state, according to the secretary's office, reported that the receipts from automobile licenses in December of the year amounted to \$206,110.50 as against \$142,063.96 for the same month in 1914.

About 1,350 officers of the Spanish army will be discharged and the army reorganized.

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Dr. Greil, Survivor of
Ancona, Arrives Home

Dr. Cecil S. Greil, the New York Red Cross physician who was on board the Italian steamer Ancona when the vessel was torpedoed by an Austrian submarine off the coast of Tunis on Nov. 7 with great loss of life, arrived in New York on the French liner Bordeaux. Dr. Greil said that in his opinion the captain and other officers of the Ancona did all in their power to save the lives of those on board, while Carlo Lombardi, the third officer, displayed great bravery by rescuing two women and a child from the water under fire.

TODAY'S POEM

THE UNEXPECTED

One mocked at death, or being strong
Of limb
And fearless, death on terrors had
For him;
"From out my course I shall not
move a jot,
Let him approach at will; I fear him
not!"

Yet, when the conqueror whom he
thought to meet
As man meets man, erect upon his
dignity
Came creeping in long twilight shadow,
he
Fell on his knees and writhed in
agony.

Another, not self-confident but frail,
Feared death from his youth upward;
e'en would quail
At every shadow which upon his path
Seemed pointing toward him in its
sombre wrath.

Yet, when death came, not wrapped
in lengthened gloom
As all life long this man expected
doom,
But sudden in the sunlight, not a trace
Of fear remained; he met him face
to face.
—M. E. Buhler in the New York Times.

CORNER FOR COOKS

SCOTCH SHORT BREAD

Three-quarters pound of finest flour, one-half pound of butter, one-fourth pound of castor sugar. Put the flour and sugar into a basin and rub the butter thoroughly in; turn it out on the board and knead firmly till it is a smooth paste (it requires a great deal of strength to knead it); roll it out to the thickness of about an inch and shape to suit. It should not be rolled much, as rolling makes it tough. Bake on a sheet in a brisk oven for 20 minutes to half an hour.

APPLE PIE AND CHOP SUEY

When the regulation apple pie, made of tart apples, is sprinkled over with a half a cup of very finely chopped citron, and a tablespoonful of current jelly added, it is sometimes called Italian apple pie. It is very nice.

FIG PASTE

One pound stone dates, one pound each of stoned prunes and seedless raisins, 10 cents' worth of senna leaves. Mix and put through a meat grinder. Pack in a tin cracker box lined with waxed paper. Will keep several weeks. Eat a piece of paste size of a caramel and drink a glass of water each night before retiring. A healthful, appetizing, relaxing food.

BOILED ICING

Boil one cup of sugar, with five tablespoonfuls of water until it threads. While boiling whip the white of an egg to a stiff froth, and when the syrup threads beat rapidly and evenly into the whipped whites. Stir until rather thick and spread over the cake as quickly as possible. It may be flavored with grated orange or lemon peel or any extract desired. A half cup of chopped almonds or two tablespoonfuls of powdered chocolate may be added to this frosting for some cakes.

A syndicate of Italian banks is subscribing \$100,000,000 to the Italian war loan.

The Western Maryland on Jan. 1 will put into effect a pension plan for employees.

An income tax to meet the mounting cost of the war was voted by the French Senate.

FUNERAL DESIGNS AND
BOUQUETS,
JOHN RICK & SON.

Seymour deB. Keim
Succeeds Plummer

Seymour deB. Keim, formerly of this city but now of Philadelphia, has been appointed manager of the New York branch of the Locomobile Co. He will succeed John F. Plummer, also well known in this city, who resigned to pursue other interests. Mr. Keim had experience in the service department of the Locomobile Co. in this city before going to Philadelphia to take charge of the branch there. Several years ago he married Miss Rosalind Laughlin, a prominent member of local society, and they have since lived in a suburb of Philadelphia.

The disabled Greek steamship Thessaloniki is expected to reach New York tomorrow.

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT,
DISTRICT OF BRIDGEPORT, ss.
PROBATE COURT.

Dec. 31, 1915.
Estate of Isabella Abbott Dickson, late of the town of Bridgeport in said district deceased.
The Court of Probate for the District of Bridgeport, hath limited and allowed six months from the date hereof for Creditors of said Estate to exhibit their claims for settlement. Those who neglect to present their accounts, properly attested, within said time, will be deemed a recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to
ALEXANDER W. SMITH, Sr.,
Executor.
Attants, GE.
CHAS. S. CANFIELD,
Attorney.
721 4th

STATE OF CONNECTICUT,
DISTRICT OF BRIDGEPORT, ss.
PROBATE COURT.

December 29, 1915.
Estate of Mary Bonness late of the town of Bridgeport in said district deceased.
The Court of Probate for the District of Bridgeport, hath limited and allowed six months from the date hereof for Creditors of said Estate to exhibit their claims for settlement. Those who neglect to present their accounts, properly attested, within said time, will be deemed a recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to
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